GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - MA&UD Department – Nandigama Nagar Panchayat - Allegations of irregularities in entrustment and execution of works taken up under SC/ST Sub-Plan in Nandigama Nagara Panchayat - Departmental Proceedings initiated against Sri K.Phani Bhushan Rao, former Dy. EE, Nandigama Nagar Panchayat under Rule-20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Inquiry conducted – Imposition of a penalty of "Withholding one annual grade increment without cumulative effect" imposed – Orders – Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.461

Dated:27.07.2023.
Read the following:-

1. From the D.G., G.A. (V&E) Department, Vigilance Report No.18, (164/V&E/E/2018), dated 27.02.2018.
2. G.O.Rt.No.992, M.A. & U.D. (Vig.II.1) Dept., dt:29.10.2018
3. G.O.Rt.No.994, M.A. & U.D. (Vig.II.1) Dept., dt:29.10.2018
4. Written Statement of Defense of Sri K.Phani Bhushan Rao, former Dy. E.E., Nandigama Nagar Panchayat, dt:04-02-2019
5. G.O.Rt.No.275, M.A. & U.D. (Vig.II.1) Dept., dt:27.03.2019
6. From Sri J.V.Rama Krishna, Superintending Engineer & Inquiry Officer, VMC, Vjy, Lr. No.Rc.CE-114426/2015-4/2020, dt:27.05.2020.
7. Govt. Memo.No.1189264/Vig.II/2018, dated 05.12.2022
8. Written Statement of Defense of Sri K.Phani Bhushan Rao, former Dy. E.E., Nandigama Nagar Panchayat, dt:24.01.2023

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ORDER:

Based on the report of G.A. (V&E) Department, in the reference 1st read above, disciplinary action has been initiated against Sri K.Phani Bhushan Rao, former Dy. EE, and two (2) others, Nandigama Nagar Panchayat on the allegations of irregularities in entrustment and execution of works taken up under SC/ST Sub-Plan in Nandigama Nagara Panchayat, erstwhile Krishna District, vide reference 3rd read above.

2. In the reference 4th read above, the charged officer submitted his written statement of defense and among others, requested the Government to drop further action in the matter.

3. In the reference 5th read above, Government appointed Sri J.V.Rama Krishna, Superintending Engineer, Vijayawada Municipal Corporation as an Inquiry Officer to inquire into the charges framed against Sri K.Phani Bhushan Rao, former Dy. EE, and two (2) other Charged Officers, Nandigama Nagar Panchayat. The Inquiry Officer conducted inquiry and submitted his report vide reference 6th read above.

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4. Government after careful examination of the Inquiry Report, submitted by the Inquiry Officer, observed certain disagreement factors and accordingly, disagreed with the findings of Inquiry Officer.

5. In the reference 7th read above, a copy of inquiry report along with disagreement factors was communicated to the charged officer Sri K.Phani Bhushan Rao, former Dy. EE, Nandigama Nagar Panchayat, with a direction to submit his written representation, if any, on the findings of the Inquiry Officer and the disagreement factors observed by the Government, in terms of Rule 21 (2) of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991 and the charged officer submitted his written representation requesting to drop further action against him duly considering the Inquiry report, vide reference 8th read above.

6. Government have examined the written representation of Charged Officer; keeping in view the reports of IA, Technical Officer and deficiencies / recovery effected from the contractors as observed for three works, and keeping in view of the gravity of charges, disagreement factors and decided to impose a penalty of "Withholding one annual grade increment without cumulative effect" against Sri K.Phani Bhushan Rao, former Dy. EE, Nandigama Nagar Panchayat, since the written representation is not convincing.

7 Accordingly, Government hereby impose a penalty of "Withholding one annual grade increment without cumulative effect" against Sri K.Phani Bhushan Rao, former Dy. EE, Nandigama Nagar Panchayat.

8. The Engineer in Chief, Public Health, Tadepalli, A.P., shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Y. SRILAKSHMI
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri K.Phani Bhushan Rao, former Dy. EE, Nandigama Nagar Panchayat,
through the Engineer in Chief, Public Health, Tadepalli, A.P.,
The Engineer in Chief, Public Health, Tadepalli, A.P.,.
Copy to:
The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration,
Vaddeswaram Village, Mangalagiri
The Director General, G.A. (V&E) Department, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Secretary to A.P. Vigilance Commission, 5th Block, A.P. Secretariat.
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//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER